

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Hazardous Materials and Waste Management Division has authority to regulate the United States Army's program to destroy the assembled chemical weapons stored at Pueblo Chemical Depot. The Division fully supports public involvement early and often in the permit process. The documents available for this program are being made available to insure that the public has every opportunity possible to be informed and involved as this project evolves.

The Depot currently stores 2,611 tons of mustard chemical agent in assembled munitions, less than 10% of the nation's original stockpile. The munitions are 105-millimeter (mm) and 155-mm projectiles, and 4.2-inch mortar cartridges. The weapons are stored in earth covered igloos on the Depot, adjacent to the facility being constructed to destroy the mustard. The U.S. Army Element Assembled Chemical Weapons Alternatives manages the chemical weapons stockpile disposal program. The Depot is owned by the U.S. Army and is under the operating authority of the U.S. Army Chemical Materials Agency.